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Honorable K. Maurice Johannessen Chair, Senate Select Committee **CALFED Water Program** State Capitol, Room 5061 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Johannessen:

Thank you for the invitation to discuss recent developments in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program with the Select Committee on August 26, 1999.

Lester Snow, Executive Director of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program, will be out of town on a previously planned family vacation and is unavailable for this hearing. I am the Chief Deputy Director for the Program and will represent CALFED in his absence.

I look forward to our meeting.

Sincerely,

Steven R. Ritchie Chief Deputy Director